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## FACT SHEET

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### PROJECT TITLE

Mats Mats Quarry Operation

### PROPOSED ACTION

The proposal is an update of the existing Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Surface Mining Reclamation Permit (#70-010170) for the Mats Mats Quarry Operation. The update to the permit is required to: 1) transfer the permit from Fletcher General (also known as General Construction) to Glacier Northwest; 2) meet the standards of Washington's Surface Mining Act, as amended in 1993; and, 3) reflect the continuation of hard rock mining to an increased depth of 60 feet below mean lower-low water level (MLLW) and related importation of clean soil by barge for reclamation. The operator will continue current mining and barge transportation activities until approximately 2025. No increase in mining *rate* is proposed; the rate of extraction would fluctuate with market conditions, as it has historically. The rate of mining is currently limited by the amount of mined material that can be stored on site, the rate at which barges can be loaded at the facility and the limit on hours of operation. None of these factors would change as a result of the *Proposed Action* or the alternatives. As currently permitted, mining would include two primary components: 1) Mining Operation; and, 2) Reclamation.

### ALTERNATIVES

Two alternatives to the Proposed Action are analyzed in this Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Alternative 1, *No Action*, would entail transfer of the reclamation permit and continued mining until reserves to a depth of 0 MLLW are depleted. Mining activities would continue until approximately 2005 with reclamation completed in 2007.

Under Alternative 2, *Limited Mining Alternative* the transfer and update of the reclamation permit would occur as under the Proposal. However, this alternative would entail an increased mining depth of 30 feet below MLLW compared to 60 feet under the Proposal. Mining activities would continue until approximately 2013 with reclamation completed in 2015.

### LOCATION

The Mats Mats Quarry is addressed as 360 Quarry Road, Port Ludlow, Washington 98365. The site is located in Section 33, Township 29N, Range 1E, along the southeastern shore of Mats Mats Bay of Admiralty Inlet in Jefferson County.

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<b>REQUIRED APPROVALS</b>	<p><u>Required Approvals</u>  Washington State Department of Natural Resources  - Transfer and Revision of Surface Mining Reclamation Permit</p> <p>Jefferson County  - Stormwater Management Permit</p> <p><u>Potential Approvals</u>  Jefferson County  - Conditional Use Permit (Type III)  - Shoreline Secondary Use Substantial Development Permit (Type III)</p> <p><u>Existing Permits to Continue</u>  Washington State Department of Ecology  - NPDES Waste Discharge Permit</p> <p>Olympic Air Pollution Control Authority  - Air Quality Permit</p> <p>Jefferson County  - Shoreline Restoration Permit implementation</p>
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